

SENATOR NEWELL: I think I'll pass up my opportunity at this time.

PRESIDENT: Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Well, Senator Carsten, this report that the Treasurer sends out, you know, that we get every month, I think, I don't know how many people get it, that is very confusing. I would like to see a report come out so that we would know how much is coming in each month and how much is going out and I don't think it would have an adverse effect on either the Treasurer or the Tax Commissioner, nor do I think it would affect D.A.S. because that is their job and we, as the body that's going to set your and levy the taxes and we, as the body that are going to be responsible for the appropriations, we should know that and we should know it not only when we're in session, but we should also know about that when we are at home and know what is going on in this state so that we can look at it and say, hey, the agricultural part of this state is in trouble or the working people are not working or the business is not doing the things that it should. The tax money is not coming in, and when we come back into session the following session, we would have some idea in our mind that just maybe our property tax is...they're bearing too much. Maybe our income tax is not right. Maybe our sales tax should be modified and I think the people of this Legislature are entitled to know that and I do not care whether it comes from D.A.S., whether it comes from Bill Peters or whether it comes from Frank Marsh, but every Senator should be entitled to that, not only when we're in session, but otherwise. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Do you want to close on your motion, Senator Lewis?

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. President, I'll make two very brief points. Number one, I will perfect the correct amendment, Senator Lamb and Senator Carsten have agreed, and put that on Select File to make sure that it's an every month process when we're here and change it to a quarterly report when we're not, and let me tell you again. I just want to emphasize one thing. The bill provides that a criteria be adopted in terms of projections of revenue and that consistent criteria be used, and I think that is probably the most important part of the bill, so Mr. President, I respectfully request that the bill be advanced to E & R Initial.

PRESIDENT: The question is the advancement of LB 270. Record your vote. Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance.

PRESIDENT: LB 420.

CLERK: Mr. President, (Read title to LB 420). The bill was first read on January 24th, Mr. President. It was referred to the Public Works Committee. It was advanced to General File, Mr. President. There are Committee amendments pending.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. President, speaking first of all to the amendment and I'll have to briefly refer to the bill in order to explain the amendment. There was no opposition